



Miami-Dade Parks September 2005 Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, 1

Sea Turtle Hatchling Release

8:30-10:30 p.m. \$5. \$4 parking fee. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Journey into the world of sea turtles. Learn of their behavior and help new hatchlings reach the sea. Call 305-361-6767 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors' and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne.

Wednesdays and Fridays, 9-10:30 p.m. at Haulover Beach Park, 10800 Collins Ave., Miami Beach. Call 305-947-3525 for reservations.

Wild Weekdays at Metrozoo

9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Weekdays. Thru September 30. All adults will receive 50% off of the \$11.50 general admission price (plus tax) when they mention "Wild Weekdays." Offer is not applicable with any other discounts. Miami Metrozoo, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami, 305-251-0400

Skyward Kites

10 a.m.-Sunset. Daily. Add the joy of kite flying to your day at the beach. Kites on sale starting at \$5 and staff will help with assembly and give instructions on how to be a master kite flyer. Haulover Beach Park, 10800 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, 305-893-0906

Deering Historic Tours

10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. \$7 adults; \$5 children. Daily. Tour the historic 1922 Stone House, the 1896-1900 Richmond Cottage and the 444-acre environmental preserve featuring archaeological sites and rare native flora and fauna. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668

Dog Park

Sunrise-Sunset. Free. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturday and Sunday. The park offers five acres of enclosed green space with walking trails and water fountains for dogs. Dog Park at Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

Deering Natural Areas Tours

11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Free with park admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children. Daily. Take a guided walking tour through a tropical hardwood hammock to a Tequesta Indian burial mound. On the half-mile boardwalk tour, you'll learn about our unique ecosystem. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

Mountain Bike Trails

Sunrise-Sunset. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturday and Sunday. Mountain bike trails for beginners, intermediate and advanced riders. Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

Skate Park

3:30-7:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; 12-8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. \$3 for two-hour session; \$5 for two-hour session and safety equipment. Skate Park at Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

Farm Village

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free. Monday-Friday. \$4 parking per vehicle on Saturday and Sunday. The farm village offers petting zoo daily and pony rides on Saturday and Sunday for children weighing 70 lbs. and less.

Pony rides are \$2. Bill Graham Farm Village at Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305-685-8389

Amusement Center

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Daily. Ride a colorful carousel and bike or roller-blade through miles of trails. Carousel operates weekends and holidays only. Three rides for \$1. Crandon Park, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne, 305-361-5421

Guided Pine Rockland Walking Tour

Walk through the fascinating native landscape and learn about the rare pine rockland habitat, its geology, fire dependency, and historic plants. Request special tour dates and times by calling 305-255-5551, ext. 131. Miami Metrozoo, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami

Swim Team

5-6 p.m. \$30/5 weeks. Water exercise \$30/5 weeks. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Swim classes and competitions for individuals 13 and older with developmental disabilities. Leisure Access Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-665-5319 (v/tdd)

Daphne Baruch: Figurative Artist

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free with park admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children. Daily thru October 16. Deering Estate hosts an exhibition by local aqua media artist Daphne Baruch. Her works feature colorful and picturesque characters, creating unique commentary on contemporary life. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 233

SATURDAY, 3

Wheelchair Tennis Program

9-11 a.m. Free. Saturdays. Ages 12 and older. All skill levels. Call 305-755-7848 (v/tdd) for more information. Big Five Tennis Club, 9299 SW 7 Terr., Miami

Historic Coral Gables Canoe Tour

9 a.m.-12 p.m. \$25. Saturdays. Enjoy a gentle canoe trip through historic canals abundant with wading birds and other wildlife. Call 305.365.3018 for reservations. Meet at A.D. Barnes Park's Nature Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami.

Historic Oleta River Canoe Trip

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$25 adults; \$15 children ages 14 and younger. Saturdays. Catch a view of many wading birds and mammals in their natural habitats and visit an undisturbed Tequesta Indian midden. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Meet at East Greynolds Park, NE 167 St. and Biscayne Blvd., N. Miami Beach 305-365-3018.

Matheson's Mangroves Canoe Tour

10 a.m. and 4 p.m. \$25 adults; \$15 ages 14 and under. Saturdays and Sundays. Explore the magnificent mangrove community that lines Biscayne Bay on this relaxing canoe tour. Call 305.365.3018 to register. Meet at the Redfish Grill at Matheson Hammock Park, 9610 Old Cutler Road, Miami.

Zookeeper For A Day

7 a.m.-4 p.m. \$145 (includes lunch and Zookeeper T-shirt). Saturdays and Sundays. Ages 18 and older. Spend a full day working alongside zookeepers as they care for the animals at Metrozoo. Assist with feeding and exhibit maintenance. For reservations, call the Group Sales Department at 305-251-0400. Miami Metrozoo, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami

Guided Historical Nature Walk

2-4 p.m. \$3 per person; \$4 per vehicle entrance fee. Saturdays and Sundays. See animals in their natural

surroundings and learn about plant life that might not be seen on a paved trail. Call 305-948-2891 for reservations. Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach

Sports Saturday

8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. \$32/month. Also, September 17. Basketball, swimming and exercise activities for individuals 13 and older with developmental disabilities. Leisure Access Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-665-5319 (v/tdd)

Tai Chi Classes

10:30 a.m. \$60 for a six-week session. Saturdays. Classes taught by Jeffrey Morris. Call 305-235-1668, ext. 225 for more information. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami

Arch Creek Trail Tour

10-11 a.m. \$3. Saturdays. Join us on this naturalist-guided tour through a native tropical hardwood hammock where the pioneers of North Miami once lived and the prehistoric Tequesta Indians thrived for hundreds of years living off the land. Call 305-944-6111 one day in advance for reservations. Meet at Arch Creek Museum, 1855 NE 135 St., N. Miami.

Crandon Kayak and Snorkel Excursions

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$50; \$35 Miami-Dade residents. Saturdays and Sundays. Explore the colorful tropical fish, spotted eagle rays, cushion stars, herons and other animals that share this fragile and unique sanctuary. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

Crandon Bayside Canoe Adventure

10 a.m.-12 p.m. \$40 adults, \$25 for Miami-Dade residents; \$15 ages 14 and younger. Saturdays and Sundays. Discover the endless mangrove forest where great blue herons, iguanas and spotted eagle rays lurk. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

Firearm Safety

9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$5 adults; children free. Saturdays and Sundays. Learn the fundamentals of firearm safety, range rules and regulations. Trail Glades Range, 17601 SW 8 St., Miami, 305-226-1823

Canoe, Kayak and Paddle Boat Rentals

11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Canoes and kayaks for adults are \$4.50 per half hour and \$3 for children. Paddle boats are \$5 per half hour. The Boathouse at Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach, 305-948-2891

Water Bicycles and Kayak Rentals

\$10 per half hour. Saturdays and Sundays. Amelia Earhart Park, 401 East 65 St., Hialeah, 305.685.8389 and Tropical Park, 7900 SW 40 St., Miami. Call 305-495-4637 for reservations at Tropical.

Saturdays in the Park with Commissioner Javier Souto

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays. District 10 residents are invited to spend Saturday mornings with Commissioner Souto discussing concerns and issues. Call 305-375-4835 for locations.

Crandon Bear Cut Preserve Beach Nature Walks

10 -11 a.m. \$2. Saturdays and Sundays. Tour a rare remnant of Miami's remaining maritime hammock, scrub habitat and mangrove forest. Call 305-361-6767 for reservations. Meet at the Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne.

Saturday Morning Camp: Drop-n-Shop

9 a.m.-1 p.m. \$5 one child, \$8 two children; \$11 three children. Saturdays. Parents, you can do your shopping while your child is supervised with activities, games, videos and arts and crafts. Highland Oaks Park, 20300 NE 24 Ave., N. Miami Beach, 305-932-2164

Wheelchair Tennis Program

9-11 a.m. Free. Saturdays. Ages 12 and older. All skill levels. Call 305-755-7848 (v/tdd) for more information. Big Five Tennis Club, 9299 SW 7 Terr., Miami

Kayak Rentals

10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. 2 Person Kayaks: \$10 per hour or \$25 three hours. Snorkel rental daily for \$10. Rentals at North Beach Kayak Aquatic Concession, southeast of Crandon Park Visitors and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne.

SUNDAY, 4**Key Biscayne Heritage Bike Tour**

10 a.m.-12 p.m. \$25 includes bike and helmet rental; \$20 with your own bike; \$15 children. Sundays. Learn of natural and historical events as you bike along this barrier island. Call 305-365-3018 for reservations. Crandon Park Visitors' and Nature Center, 6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

Wheelchair Basketball Program

Free. Sundays. Wheelchair basketball for adults. Call 305-752-4966 for times. McArthur Senior High, 11035 SW 84 St., Miami

Chicken Key Canoe Tour

8-11 a.m. \$25 adults; \$15 ages 9-14. Sundays. Canoeists will experience the beauty of Biscayne Bay as they make their way to Chicken Key Island, a seven-acre bird rookery. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

Batting Cages

9-11 a.m. \$5 for 15 minutes; \$25 for an hour. Sundays. Highland Oaks Park, 20300 NE 24 Ave., N. Miami Beach, 305-932-2164.

MONDAY, 5**Basketball Team**

5-6 p.m. \$32/month. Mondays and Wednesdays. Ages 13 and older with developmental disabilities. Learn basketball skills, drills and compete in the Special Olympics. Leisure Access Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-665-5319 (v/tdd)

TUESDAY, 6**Yoga Classes**

6-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays; 10-11:30 a.m., Wednesdays. \$60 for a six-week session. Yoga taught by Marlene Shulman. Call 305-235-1668, ext. 225 for more information. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami

WEDNESDAY, 7**Arch Creek Ghost Tours**

7-8:30 p.m. \$5. Wednesdays. Take a night tour of Arch Creek Park and learn about its spooky past. Hear personal accounts of ghostly encounters that have occurred since the late 1800s and maybe have an encounter of your own. Call 305-944-6111 for reservations. Arch Creek Park Museum, 1855 NE 135 St., N. Miami

FRIDAY, 9**Ballroom Cabaret**

8 p.m. \$15. Enjoy the last installment of the Summer Ballroom Cabaret series as Deering Estate hosts a night of romance with Violines Intermezzo, strolling violinists. Bring your own food and refreshments. Call 305-235-1668, ext. 233 for tickets. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami

SATURDAY, 10

Vegetable Gardening, Container Gardening and Unusual Vegetables

10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$35. Learn all aspects of vegetable gardening in the backyard. Class will cover conventional and ethnic vegetables and planting techniques. Fruit & Spice Park, 24801 SW 187 Ave., Homestead, 305-247-5727

Canoe Workshop

10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$20 adults; \$15 children under age 14. Also, September 17. Join us for the fundamentals of canoeing, basic strokes, steering, and safety skills. We will be canoeing the C-100 canal behind the park. Workshop meets at Bill Sadowski Park and Nature Center, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Miami, 305-255-4767.

Heritage Horse Show

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. Thru Sunday. Tropical Park Equestrian Center, 7900 SW 40 St., Miami, 305-554-7334

The Misunderstood Mammal: The Bat!

7:30 p.m. \$5. Also, September 17 & 24. Learn about these fascinating creatures and discover why they are so beneficial to us. Call 305.948.2891 for reservations. Meet at the Boathouse at Greynolds Park, 17530 W. Dixie Highway, N. Miami Beach.

SUNDAY 11

Eco-Tour Van Trip: Loxahatchee Arthur R. Marshall National Wildlife Refuge

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$40 adults; \$15 ages 14 and younger. Spend a day exploring the northern Everglades, including a cypress swamp boardwalk and marsh trail explorations where wading birds, hawks, alligators and migrating waterfowl can be spotted. Call 305.365.3018 for reservations. Trip meets at the Greynolds Park Boathouse, 17530 West Dixie Hwy, N. Miami Beach.

SATURDAY, 17

Meme Solis in Concert

8 p.m. \$15-\$50. Cuban-American recording artist, Meme Solis, in concert. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami, 305-547-5414, ext. 0

Pelican Harbor Kayak and Snorkel Trip

2-5 p.m. \$25 plus \$5 for snorkel rental. Get away from the busy world and take a break by kayaking in Biscayne Bay and snorkeling in the shallows to see the marine life that dwells in the bay. Call 305.365.3018 for reservations. Meet at Pelican Harbor Marina, 1275 NE 79 Street Causeway, Miami Beach.

Butterfly Walk

2-3:30 p.m. Free with park admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children. Designed for beginners and experts, this walk will explore various habitats of the park while finding and identifying numerous butterfly species. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

Propagation

10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$40. Methods of reproducing fruit trees. Learn how to plant seeds, make cuttings, air layer and graft. Receive a tree to take home. Fruit & Spice Park, 24801 SW 187 Ave., Homestead, 305-247-5727

International Aroid Show and Sale

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. \$15 adults; Free ages 3-12. Thru Sunday. Fairchild Tropical Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd, Miami, 305-667-1651

MONDAY, 19**Moonlight Canoe Excursion**

7-11 p.m. \$35. Ages 18 and older. Canoeists will enjoy the moonlit beauty of Biscayne Bay as they make their way to Chicken Key Island. Deering Estate at Cutler, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, 305-235-1668, ext. 242

SATURDAY, 24**Enrique Chia in Concert**

8 p.m. \$13-\$35. Also, September 25, 3 p.m. Cuban-American pianist, Enrique Chia, in concert. Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami, 305-547-5414, ext. 0.

The Homestead Seaboard Train Station

2 p.m. Included with admission: \$5 adults; \$3 children. Joyce Kuschinsky of Redland Auction Co. and Larry Wiggins of Florida Pioneer Museum present a digital slide presentation on the Homestead Seaboard Train Station. Gold Coast Railroad Museum, 12450 SW 152 St., Miami, 305-253-0063

TUESDAY, 27**Dade County Fair and Exposition Annual Invitational Boys Golf Tournament**

8 a.m. tee time. Free. This is an 18-hole, team of 5 golf tournament for senior high school boys. Call 305-235-1069 to enter. Entry deadline September 23. Briar Bay Golf Course, 9373 SW 134 St., Miami

WEDNESDAY, 28**Dade County Fair and Exposition Annual Invitational Girls Golf Tournament**

8 a.m. tee time. Free. This is an 18-hole, team of 5 golf tournament for senior high school girls. Call 305-235-1069 to enter. Entry deadline September 26. Briar Bay Golf Course, 9373 SW 134 St., Miami